



Rathkeale Newsletter

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Official Opening Of The Rathkeale Enterprise Centre

Michael Noonan, Minister for Finance cut the tape to officially open the new Rathkeale Enterprise Centre on Monday 16th November. A huge crowd turned out to give the old Anderson factory a new lease of life.

Design Pro is the name of the principal tenant and is a leading provider to a variety of industries such as medical devices, electronics, aviation, food and automotive. Big names among their customers are Vistacon, Boston Scientific, Lufthansa and Element Six to name a few.

Also a section of the building has been taken over by the Butterfly Club who hope to occupy it in 2016.



Left: Minister for Finance Michael Noonan T.D. cutting the tape at the official opening of the Enterprise Centre.

Bottom left: Margaret Geary, Pam McNamara (Innovate) and Agnes Relihan of the Butterfly Club.

Bottom right: Stephen Keary MCC, Brian McEnery, Mike Cantwell (C.E.O. Innovate Limerick) & Patrick Donovan T.D.



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QUIZ CORNER

This Week's Questions

1. Which is the only country to lie entirely within the Alps?
2. In American football, how many points is a touchdown worth?
3. Hushabye Mountain featured in which musical film?
4. What Tarantino movie won the "Best Picture" or prestigious Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival in 1994?
5. In Darts, how much is the Outer Bull worth?
6. What is the surname of the singer Rihanna born February 20, 1988?
7. Which celebrity couple have children named Apple and Moses? (full names of both people required).

Last Issues Answers:

1. Which is the world's second largest French-speaking city? – Montreal – Canada.
2. England's national rugby union side play their home games at which ground? – Twickenham.
3. How many toes does a dog have? – 18.
4. Where would you find the Sea of Tranquillity? – The Moon.
5. Who painted the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel? – Michelangelo.
6. What colour would Coca Cola be if you were to remove the artificial colouring? – Green.
7. How is the number 5 written in Roman numerals? V.

A letter and poem recently sent to the Rathkeale Newsletter

Thank you for publishing my mam's picture..page 4..newsletter Oct 22nd. It affected me deeply as I don't have any pictures of our mother BEFORE she became "our mam"...hard to imagine, I know...I am an absolute fanatic about photographs...I tell our five children that "I won't leave them any money...BUT I will leave them loads of memories". I have hundreds of photo albums...charting their lives, and ours, through the ages...

I trained, and worked in Donovan's pharmacy with the late Dan Donovan as my boss...I learned that "every picture tells MORE than a thousand words"...and so I have continued taking pictures....so it was such a treat when Shivaun O'Connor(my sister in law) sent me that copy of your newsletter....I knew SO many in it, Memory Lane is a Road with Many Turns.....

Continued success with your publication...and tho' I live between Dublin and Cavan....my feet are firmly planted in Duxtown.

Kind regards,
Maureen Tully (formerly O'Connor)
Terenure, Dublin.

WHAT'S ON IN RATHKEALE!

Saturday 21st November

Rathkeale House Hotel – Chestnut Bar

9pm Live music with Quentin.

Sunday 22nd November

Rathkeale House Hotel – Ballroom

8.30pm Adult Dancing with Sam O'Doherty.

Monday 23rd November

Rathkeale House Hotel

9pm Rathkeale AFC Lotto Draw.

Wednesday 25th November

Rathkeale Community Centre

9pm Cards - 45 Drive

Thursday 26th November

Rathkeale Community Centre

8.30pm Bingo

Faded Picture

This faded picture took me down...a road I could not follow..
..too many turns, too many twists..In grief I could not
wallow.

I saw my Mam, as she was Then, A woman in her prime,
As she was THEN..as I am NOW..we can't keep track of Time.

I never knew the carefree Bride, who settled in Duxtown
I only knew the caring Mam...That WAS her ONLY Crown.

When young we think we have it all, what WOULD our elders
know??

Lest we forget..we'll be there yet..Seeds of Wisdom they did
sow.

So, Faded pics come back to life..that Mona Lisa smile..
If she could see, what we know now..we'd ask her wait
awhile....

..To see her children's children.. to hold them on her knee
To pass to them her wisdom...now down to you and me.

So keep up the work you are doing..your pictures are just
great. Thanks to Rathkeale Newsletter...for the next one I can't
wait!!



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COMMUNITY NOTES

Reported By Tim Shiels

You Tube – Rathkeale:

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Journey from a railway to a greenway

There is a wonderful programme documenting the Great Southern Trail. This programme traces the history of the railway right up to the walkway which is there today. The programme is approximately 50 minutes long.

The old Rathkeale railway station is highlighted and many locals can be seen including Mary Kennelly, Pat Naughton, John & Eileen Supple, Pam McNamara and many more.

Sincere sympathy:

Sincere sympathy is extended to family, sister, brothers, grandchildren, nephews, niece and relatives and friends on the death of Martina O'Brien-Viguurs, late of Rathkeale. May she rest in peace.

Parish Clerk's Collection 21st & 22nd November:

The Parish Clerk's Collection takes place at all masses this weekend. This is our opportunity as a community to show our appreciation for the work and commitment which are essential for the smooth running of all our Church services. She is first in and last out each and every day. We thank Mary for her dedication, availability and support throughout the year. Many Thanks.

Restoration of the sacred heart statue:

Now that the work has been successfully completed on the statue of Our Lady of Assumption, we can focus our attention on the much needed restoration on the Sacred Heart Statue also on the grounds of St. Mary's. If you would like to contribute to this project, please give your donation to either the Priests of the Parish, the Sacristan or into the donations boxes provided. Many Thanks!

ADAPT:

ADAPT Shop, a charity shop in support of ADAPT Domestic Abuse Services is seeking donations of clothers, bric-a-brac and furniture. For further information please call 061-319086 or connect with them on Facebook (adaptcharityshop) and see some current stock and hidden treasures for sale.

Support Meeting for Bereaved Children:

How to support children after the death of someone close - a workshop for parents and guardians who are caring for bereaved children will be held : Thursday 19th November 10am-12.30pm. Education Department, Milford Care Centre, Castletroy, Limerick. This event will include a talk by member of the Social Work Team who are experienced in childhood bereavement. There will be time to meet other parents and guardians and to ask the team questions about children and loss. Limited places available, pre-booking is essential. To book please contact Estelle McGinley on 061-485822 or email McGinley@milfordcc.ie

Rathkeale Community Council AGM:

The Rathkeale Community Council AGM will be held on Monday 30th November in the Rathkeale House Hotel at 8.00pm. All are welcome. Any items for the agenda to given to Pat Neville or Noel White (Deel Bakery) on or before the 23rd of November.

Coláiste na Trócaire, Rathkeale will participate in a live televised broadcast of Mass in the RTE Studios:

Coláiste na Trócaire have been given the opportunity to participate in a live televised broadcast of Mass in RTE Studios on **Sunday 29th of November at 11am**. Both staff and students are delighted to have been given this opportunity to celebrate the first Sunday of Advent. Fr Michael O'Shea, a past pupil of Scoil Bhanríon na hEagna and a Rathkeale native will lead the Mass. Both staff and students and invited members of Rathkeale parish are looking forward to this wonderful occasion.

Bereavement Support, Milford Care Centre:

The next Bereavement Support information evening will take place in Milford Care Centre on Tue 24th November 2015 from 7-8.30pm. This is one of the quarterly information evenings that are held throughout the year to provide information on normal grief and the support services offered by Milford Care Centre.

Card Game Results 11th November:

John O'Shea - Sean McElligott
Francis Woulfe - Jom Dalton
Vinnie Wrenn - Joan Fitzgibbon
Peter & Irene Donovan
Frank O'Connor - Jack Woulfe
Willie Keating - Magdaline Casey

Table Prizes

Betty Kerins - Paddy Sheehy &
Marie Wrenn - Mike Sullivan

Raffle

Joe Dunleavy, John Danaher, Jack Woulfe & John Danaher

Christmas Cards for Lourdes invalid fund & the Cliona foundation:

Fr. Liam has signed up to complete the 800 kilometre cycle to Lourdes for June 2016. This will be his 3rd cycle with this group and is looking forward to it indeed. To get the fundraising going there are Christmas Cards for sale over the next number of weeks. A pack of 6 Christmas Cards will be on sale for £5 available in the sacristy. Please support as best you can. Many thanks.

Senior Citizens:

Please visit our senior citizens, especially those living alone. They get lonely and love a visit, a cup of tea and a chat.



POSITIVE PARENTING TECHNIQUES:

West Limerick Resources is offering a FREE parenting programme each Wednesday up to December 8th, 3-5pm. Learn: How to Handle Difficult Behaviour; How to handle family change; How to handle Bullying; How to handle fussy eating & Routines. Open to Rathkeale residents in receipt of Social Welfare or living in Local Authority Housing. Contact: Laura Kelly on 085-1731266 or email laura.s.kelly@hotmail.com

LANGUAGE & PLAY PROGRAMME FOR PARENTS:

West Limerick Resources is offering a FREE language and play programme for parents in the Rathkeale Community Centre (Beside Hall) on Tuesday mornings from 10.30am to 12 Noon until December 8th. Open to parents with toddlers under 4 who are members of the Rathkeale Parent & Toddler Group 2015. Must be in Receipt of Social Welfare or Living in Local Authority Housing. Limited Places - Must Contact Laura before Joining! Contact: Laura Kelly 085-1731266 or email: laura.s.kelly@hotmail.com

RURAL EMPLOYMENT & EDUCATION SERVICE:

The Rural Employment & Education Service (REES) works with people who experience barriers and who feel they need support to enter or re-enter employment, explore education/training opportunities or wish to become self-employed. We are base in the Round House, St Mary's Road, Newcastle West and also operate an outreach service. Outreach Services available in the Rathkeale Community Hub in The Community Centre on Wednesdays from 2.00 to 4.30 via appointment only. Contact 069 61316.

CHRISTMAS THEMED WORKSHOPS:

West Limerick Resources will be running free workshops incorporating Christmas Crafts, Christmas Cookery, and Confidence Building for four consecutive Wednesdays leading up to Christmas. These workshops will help participants to gain confidence and develop skills in a fun festive environment. Workshops will take place on Nov. 25th, Dec. 2nd, 9th & 16th at the Brothers of Charity, Lacey's Cross Newcastle West from 10am – 1pm. All four workshops must be attended to partake in this course and priority will be given to those in receipt of social welfare payments. For further information or to book a place contact Adrienne on 087 2773294.

GROUP DYNAMICS AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP:

West Limerick Resources is offering a range of workshops for community groups this November.

November 24th: Group Dynamics and Conflict Management. Learn strategies to effectively deal with conflict that may arise from users of your community organisation, and also between members of your own group. Venue: West Limerick Resources Office, Newcastle West. Time: 7.30pm. To register contact Suzanne on 069 79114 or email srowley@wlr.ie

These initiatives are funded under the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP) 2015-2017 which is funded by the Irish Government and co-funded by the European Social Fund and includes a special allocation under the Youth Employment Initiative

VOTE FOR BACK2NEW:

Time is closing in on the "Better Together" video competition and the Back2New Community Upcycling Project would appreciate your support. Back2New Community Upcycling was established by West Limerick Resources under the TUS work placement programme. The initiative provides opportunities for work experiences and skills development for long term unemployed individuals. You can view the video and vote at: <http://2015.bettertogether.ie/video/back2new-community-upcycling>. One vote per device is permitted over a 24 hour period from now until November 20th.

ENHANCE SUPPORTS AVAILABLE TO COMMUNITY/VOLUNTARY GROUPS:

Limerick Volunteer Centre will be holding a meeting in the Desmond Complex, Newcastle West on Thursday November 19th from 7.30-9pm to consult directly with community and voluntary groups about how best to maximise their service in the County which includes a placement service, training courses and Garda Vetting. Light refreshments will be served from 7pm. To register contact Paul on 087 738 7481 or email info@volunteerlimerick.ie



Rathkeale AFC Weekly Lotto

JACKPOT € 4,000

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Winner: No Winner

Lucky Dips (3 x €20.00)

- 1. J J Riordan (Seller- Johnny Daly)**
- 2. Neily Hogan (Seller- Neily Hogan)**
- 3. Nevaeh Meehan (Seller – The Black Lion)**

Next Week's Jackpot €4,100

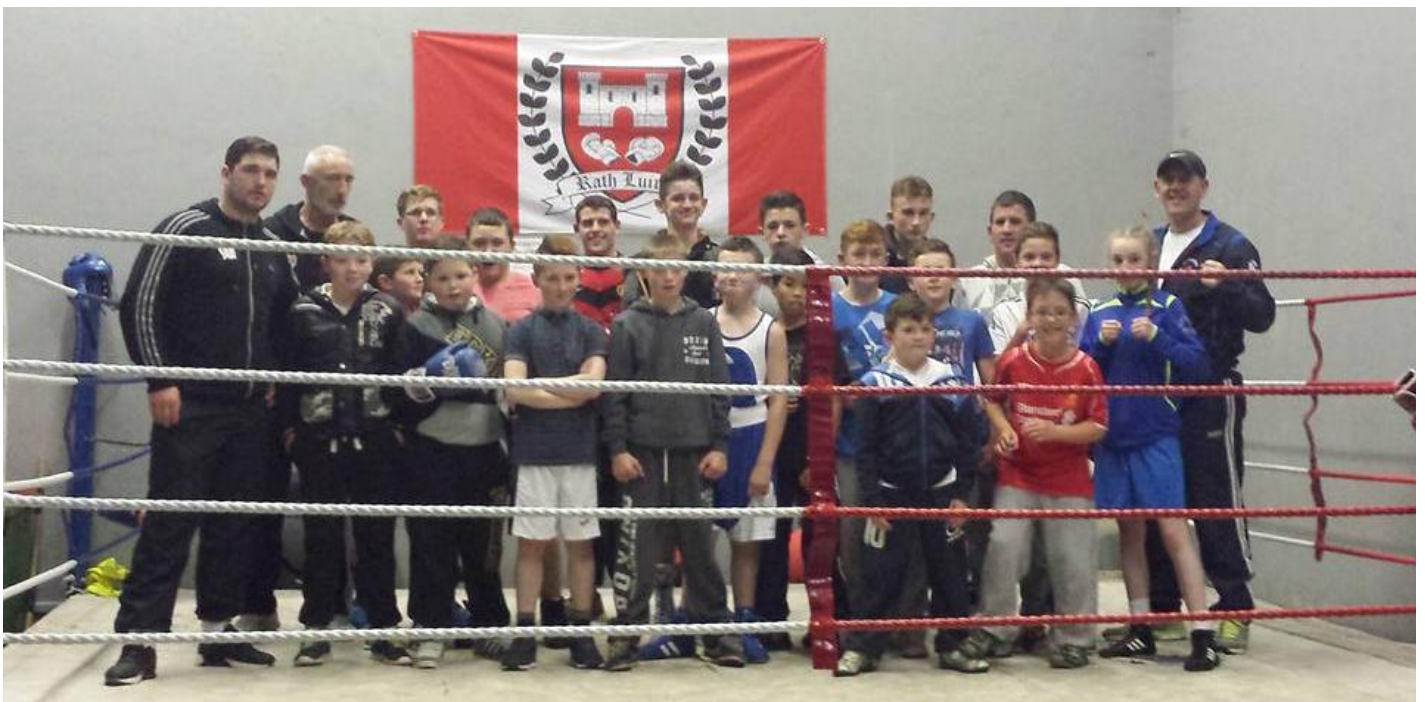
Next Draw Date – Mon Nov 23rd 2015

Draw will take place in Rathkeale House Hotel at 9pm



Last weekend we had a very busy one indeed as we had some of our lads take part in the Munster high performance squad training on Saturday. This Sunday we will have Jamie Harty and Martin Faulkner take part in a box-off test match with lads from Dungarvan as part of a future selection for away trips as part of the Munster Elite team. Best of luck boys .Last Sunday we hosted the Olympic boxing club Galway where our boys were well matched and all did brilliantly and no doubt will have learnt and gained a lot from each of their fights. William Faulkner got us underway with a great win over Tommy Donovan, Willie Casey was next against Dean Myres and after a bad first round Willie took the advice from his corner and won the next two rounds and got the decision, Andrew and Patrick Faulkner were both unlucky against their Galway opponents but gave there all. Jamie Healy was next against last year's All Ireland

champion in Mike Maughan so it was always going to be a tough task against this kind of calibre but Jamie gave his all and even though he won the last round it wasn't enough and it was a win for Galway. Jordan Ahern was unlucky against Larry Ward after a great first round with Jordan keeping his man at the end of his jab but in the next two rounds let Ward back into it and gave him the win. Martin Faulkner got us back to winning ways against Brandon Mongan in a cracking fight which saw Martin back boxing at his best. William Faulkner had a tough ask against the very slick southpaw Gabriel Dossan in a fight which saw the Galway lad winning all three rounds. Timmy Casey made very hard work of his fight against Mike Delaney letting himself get drawn into a scrap which suited the Galway boxer and also giving him the win at the end. Mikey Mulcaire had his first win against Tom Maughan in which both lads gave their all in a non-stop bout but it was Mikey who got the nod from the judges in the end. We had exhibitions from Breda Quilligan, Myles Casey, Jamie and Jason Harty, James Faulkner and Mikey Faulkner Well done to all the lads who travelled from Galway and to everyone who came and supported the boxers on the day.



SOME OF OUR BOXERS AND COACHES WHO TRAVELED TO CHARLEVILLE LAST WEEK FOR A TEST MATCH SPARRING SESSION



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Scoil Bhanríon na hEagna – Rathkeale - 1991



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3rd row L to R: ? Feehan, Alison Roche, David Gilbourne, Pat Norris, ??, ? Naughton, Edel Ryan, ??, Lisa McDonnell, Danny Harrington, Elaine Guiney, ? Solly, Derek Hickey, Eoin Duggan, David Scully, Marie Shanahan, Vera ?, Denise O'Shaughnessy & Eoin McNamara.

2nd row L to R: Kieran Hough, PJ Brennan, Grainne Nestor, Catriona O'Gorman, ??, Nora McDonnell, Elaine Hourigan, Sr. Jerome, Patricia Foley, Karen Jones, ? Woulfe, ??, Deirdre Lenihan, Majella Neville, Hazel Crosby, Maire Lenihan & Mary O'Connor.

Front row L to R: Sandra White, Maura Stackpoole, Deirdre O'Toole, Tracey Bourke, Maire Brennan, Michael Hourigan, Sharon Hunt, ? Supple, ? Gallagher, Sinead Burke, Gillian Doab & Mary Sheehy.

Lotto Luck Strikes Rathkeale



Congratulations to Seamus Cawley, Holycross, Rathkeale (seen on the right) who was a member of the 10 strong syndicate who scooped last Saturday's Lotto jackpot worth €3.88m. The syndicate was made up of workers from the Kerry Group factory in Charleville. They have been trying their luck in the lotto for the past 12 years. The lucky 10 now have the enviable task of deciding how to spend their individual prizes of €388,375.60. The winning ticket was sold in O'Grady's SPAR shop in Ballingarry, Co Limerick, run by Limerick hurling captain, Donal O'Grady.



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